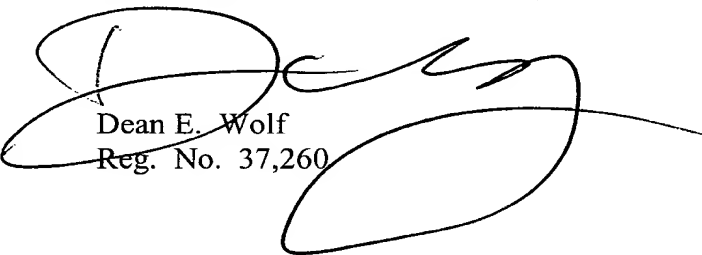


## REMARKS

Claims 8, 19, 28, 59, 65, and 67-71 have been amended for clarification purposes and in order to avoid ambiguities. Dependent claims 3-7, which depend upon independent claim 8, have been cancelled, and inserted as new claims 73-77 for clarification purposes. It is believed that currently pending claims 8-15, 19-22, 24, 27-28, 59-62, 65, and 67-77 are allowable. Applicant reserves the right to pursue claims of similar scope in a subsequent continuation application.

Applicants believe that all pending claims are allowable and respectfully requests a Notice of Allowance for this application from the Examiner. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would expedite the prosecution of this application, the undersigned can be reached at the telephone number set out below.

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